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FOR AGRICULTURE, FAS, FCA, MEEKER, NOVOTNY AND KEATON
BUENOS AIRES, BRASILIA AND TOKYO FOR AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES

FROM: AGRICULTURAL OFFICER

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TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, CH, AR, BR, JA

SUBJECT: PRC -- WHEAT AND SOYBEAN OIL PURCHASES

REF: (A) HK 2412; (B) HK 15054 1976; (C) HK 11143 1976

LOCAL TRADE SOURCE TODAY INFORMED AGOFFICER THAT HIS B.A.
SOURCES BELIEVE DREYFUS MAY HAVE SOLD 400,000 MT OF
ARGENTINE WHEAT TO PRC, NOT JUST 200,000 AS REPORTED IN REF
A. (IF SO, THAT WOULD BE TOTAL OF 700,000 MT ARGENTINE
WHEAT PURCHASED BY PRC SINCE DEC. 15, 1976.)

2. ANOTHER TRADE SOURCE INFORMED AGOFFICER THAT HIS FIRM
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YESTERDAY (MARCH 2) SOLD PRC 10,000 MT OF SOYBEAN OIL OF
"NON-US ORIGIN" FOR SHIPMENT MARCH-APRIL. (SOURCE WOULD NOT
DIVULGE ORIGIN BUT SAID OIL WOULD BE DELIVERED TO PORTS
WITHIN "SHANGHAI-DAIREN RANGE.")

3. COMMENT: ALTOGETHER, PRC PURCHASES OF SOYBEAN OIL IN
RECENT MONTHS NOW APPEAR TO TOTAL AT LEAST 60,000 MT

(INCLUDING YESTERDAY'S PURCHASE AND 50,000 MT SOLD EARLIER
FOR NOVEMBEE-DECEMBER 1976 DELIVERY). AGOFFICER ALSO
INFORMED BY THIRD TRADE SOURCE THAT PRC "MAY HAVEIXN PURCHASED
50,000 MT BRAZILIAN SOYBEANS FOR APRIL-JULY DELIVERY.
SOURCE CLAIMED "HE HEARD" THAT CHINA'S 1976 SOYBEAN HARVEST
WAS BELIEVED TO BE 15 PERCENT BELOW 1975 LEVEL OF 9-11 MILLION
MT. (PRC'S PROBLEMS WITH 1976 SOYBEAN CROP, COVERED IN REF B,
ALSO WERE REFLECTED IN ERRATIC AND LOWER-THAN-USUAL SOYBEAN
EXPORTS TO JAPAN IN 1976 (SEE REF C).)
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